

Abstract

The purpose of this study was to determine if there were differences in the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders between two groups of nurses working in different departments of a tertiary care hospital. The study included 100 nurses from the medical-surgical department and 100 nurses from the intensive care unit. Data were collected through a self-administered questionnaire. The results showed that the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders was higher among nurses in the intensive care unit compared to those in the medical-surgical department. The most common disorder was low back pain, followed by neck pain and shoulder pain. The findings suggest that interventions aimed at reducing the risk of musculoskeletal disorders should be tailored to the specific needs of each nursing department.

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